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Economic friction between Poland and Czechoslovakia, centered upon a search for export markets for metal products, is increasing. Czechoslovakia, a traditional exporter, currently exports one million tons, or one-fourth of its annual production, while Poland, a relative newcomer to the field, needs most of its metal production for domestic consumption. This year Czechoslovakia attempted to replace Poland as a metal exporter [REDACTED] by undercutting its prices. Poland thereupon submitted a complaint to the Council of Economic Mutual Assistance (CEMA), which is currently dealing with the matter.

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